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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to
3 learn of the death of Jack L. Ostrem of Joliet; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Ostrem was born on June 23, 1931 to Arthur K.
5 and Adeline (nee Rossi) Ostrem; he graduated from Joliet
6 Township High School (JTHS) in 1949 and attended Bradley
7 University and Joliet Jr. College (JJC); and

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WHEREAS, Jack Ostrem was employed by the Chicago Newspaper
9 Agency for 10 years, United States Rubber, Joliet Arsenal, and
10 the Argonne National Laboratory; he retired as a warehouse
11 supervisor from Northern Petrochemical/Lyondell in Morris,
12 with 23 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Ostrem was always interested in sports and
14 high school and college football teams; he was JTHS wrestling
15 team captain, Central AAU Conference Wrestling Champion, Lt.
16 heavyweight, 1949, and Captain of the first JJC football team;
17 he coached Joliet Park District baseball teams and the YMCA
18 wrestling team, including 2 years as State Champions; he was a
19 sports writer for the Joliet Herald News and Spectator
20 newspapers; and

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WHEREAS, Jack Ostrem was a Friend of Bill W. for over 40

1 years, a lifetime member of the Joliet Alano Club, a past
2 delegate to the National Institute on Aging, Panel 34, East
3 Central Region Trustee, 1997-2001, and Alcoholics Anonymous
4 World Services Chair; he was a past board member of The Joliet
5 Halfway House (now Stepping Stones) and the South Suburban
6 Council on Alcoholism, volunteering there for 25 years; and

7 WHEREAS, Jack Ostrem was preceded in death by his son, John
8 Ross Ostrem; his parents; his brother, Phillip Ostrem; and his
9 mother-in-law, Edith (Pence B.) Orr; and

10 WHEREAS, Jack Ostrem is survived by his wife of 65 years,
11 Emita Orr Ostrem; his daughter, Dawn (Charles) Fitzgerald; his
12 daughter-in-law, Deena Ostrem Brown; his nephews, Paul (Linda)
13 Ostrem, Tom (Judy) Ostrem, and Tim Ostrem; and his cousins,
14 Marilyn Capasse (Robert) Verden, Deloras Wilmette, Virginia
15 Rossi Zupancic, and Douglas Ostrem; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
18 Jack L. Ostrem, and extend our sincere condolences to his
19 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to the family of Jack Ostrem as an expression of our

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1 deepest sympathy.